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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Original) A method for production of three-dimensional bodies by successive

fusing together of selected areas of a powder bed, which parts correspond to successive cross

sections of the three-dimensional body, which method comprises the following method steps:

application of powder layers to a work table,

supplying energy from a radiation gun according to an operating scheme determined for

the powder layer to said selected area within the powder layer, fusing together that area of the

powder layer selected according to said operating scheme for forming a cross section of said

three-dimensional body, a three-dimensional body being formed by successive fusing together of

successively formed cross sections from successively applied powder layers, characterized in

that said selected area is divided into one or more inner areas I, each having an edge R, where the

inner area I is fused together in the course of a movement pattern for the focal point of the beam

of the radiation gun which comprises a main movement direction and an interference term which

is added to said main movement direction and has a component in a direction at right angles to

the main movement direction.

2. (Original) The method as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that the

interference term changes direction and has a time mean value corresponding to zero drift from

the main movement direction.

3. The method as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that said (Original)

interference term has a component which is parallel to the main movement direction.

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4. (Original) The method as claimed in claim 3, characterized in that the movement

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pattern corresponds to a partly overlapping helical movement of the beam of the radiation gun.

5. (Original) The method as claimed in any one of claims 1-4, characterized in that

said edge is fused together in the course of a mainly rectilinear movement of the beam of the

radiation gun.

6. (Previously presented) The method as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that an

energy balance is calculated for at least said selected area within each powder layer, it being

determined in the calculation whether energy radiated into the selected area from the

surroundings of the selected area is sufficient to maintain a defined working temperature of the

selected area.

7. (Original) The method as claimed in claim 6, characterized in that, in addition to

said energy for fusing together the selected area, energy for heating the selected area is supplied

if the result of the energy balance calculation is that sufficient energy for maintaining an

intended working temperature of the selected area is not present, a defined working temperature

of the selected area then being achieved.

8. (Original) The method as claimed in claim 6 or 7, characterized in that the energy

balance for each powder layer is calculated according to E^{in} (i) = E^{out} (i) + E^{heat} (i), where E^{in} (i)

represents energy fed into the selected area, E^{out} (i) represents energy losses through dissipation and radiation from the selected area, and E^{heat} (i) represents stored in the selected area.

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9-13. (Canceled)

14. (New) An arrangement for producing a three-dimensional product, which arrangement comprises a work table on which said three-dimensional product is to be built up, a powder dispenser which is arranged so as to distribute a thin layer of powder on the work table for forming a powder bed, a radiation gun for delivering energy to the powder, fusing together of the powder then taking place, means for guiding the beam emitted by the radiation gun over said powder bed for forming a cross section of said three-dimensional product by fusing together parts of said powder bed, and a control computer in which information about successive cross sections of the three-dimensional product is stored, which cross sections build up the threedimensional product, where the control computer is intended to control said means for guiding the radiation gun over the powder bed according to an operating scheme forming a cross section of said three-dimensional body, said three-dimensional product being formed by successive fusing together of successively formed cross sections from by the powder dispenser, characterized in that the control computer is arranged so as to divide said selected area into one or more inner areas I which each have an edge R, and to control the radiation gun to fuse the inner area 1 in the course of a movement pattern for the focal point of the beam of the radiation gun which comprises a main movement direction and an interference term which is added to

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said main movement direction and has a component in a direction at right angles to the main

movement direction.

15. (New) The arrangement as claimed in claim 14, characterized in that the

interference term changes direction and has a time mean value corresponding to zero drift from

the main movement direction.

16. (New) The arrangement as claimed in claim 14, characterized in that said

interference term has a component which is parallel to the main movement direction.

17. (New) The arrangement as claimed in claim 16, characterized in that the

movement pattern corresponds to a partly overlapping helical movement of the beam of the

radiation gun.

18. (New) The arrangement as claimed in claim 14, characterized in that said

control computer is arranged to fuse said edge in the course of a mainly rectilinear movement

of the beam of the radiation gun.

19. (New) The arrangement as claimed in claim 14, characterized in that the

control computer is also arranged so as to calculate an energy balance for at least the selected

area within each powder layer, it being determined in the calculation whether energy radiated

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into the selected area from the surroundings of the selected area is sufficient to maintain a

defined working temperature of the selected area.

20. (New) The arrangement as claimed in claim 19, characterized in that the

control computer is arranged so as to control said operating scheme for supply of, in addition

to said energy for fusing together powder layers, energy for heating the powder layer if the

result of the energy balance calculation is that the operating scheme is not providing sufficient

energy for maintaining an intended working temperature of the selected area, a defined

working temperature of the selected area then being maintained.

21. (New) The arrangement as claimed in claim 11, characterized in that the

control computer is arranged so as to calculate the energy balance for each powder layer

according to E'' (1) = Eout (1) + Et'''t(i), where El'' (i) represents energy fed into the selected

area, E^o't (i) represents energy losses through dissipation and radiation from the selected area,

and E''''t(i) represents energy stored in the selected area.

22. (New) The arrangement as claimed in claim 19, characterized in that the

arrangement also comprises means for sensing the temperature distribution of a surface layer

located in the powder bed.